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For: PLANTS WITH ENHANCED LEVELS
OF NITROGEN UTILIZATION
PROTEINS IN THEIR ROOT
EPIDERMIS AND USES THEREOF

Examiner: D.H. Kruse

Group Art Unit: 1638

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